Forest Products Sale Notice

U.S. Forest Service, Sumter National Forest, Enoree Ranger District, Middle Enoree Harvest Union County, South Carolina

The South Carolina Department of Natural Resources (SCDNR) will accept sealed, per ton bids for the sale of approximately 10268 tons of pine sawtimber, 5625 tons of pine chip-n-saw, 6753 tons of pine pulpwood, and 760 tons of hardwood pulpwood to be selectively thinned from approximately 274.7 acres, Clearcut from approximately 60.3 acres, and Shelterwood cut from approximately 27.7 acres of loblolly pine sawtimber stands. The 274.7 acres of selective Thinning will be Operator-Select, thinning from below to achieve an approximate residual basal area of 60 sq. ft./ac. A sample Thinning stand of 13.6 acres has been Marked-to-Cut, where removals include all trees designated with a blue paint mark at eye level. This stand will be cut prior to moving into additional Operator-Select thinning units. Residual trees within the Clearcut areas (select shortleaf pines and hardwoods) have been marked with a purple band and will not be cut. Leave trees within the Shelterwood Cut area have also been marked with a purple band and will not be cut. SCDNR does not guarantee these advertised volumes or acreages, and bidders are encouraged to make their own determinations.

The sale areas are part of, and located on the U.S. Forest Service, Sumter National Forest, Enoree Ranger District, between the Enoree River and the Tyger River, approximately 3 miles east of the City of Whitmire, SC, in Union County SC. The sale areas lie to the southwest of Maybinton Road (State Road S-44-45), to the south of S.C. Hwy 72 (Carlisle Whitmire Hwy). The timber sale units will be accessed from U.S. Forest Service Road E101-1 which meets Maybinton Road very close to Saint Matthews A.M.E Church. A temporary access road off of E101-1 will also be used to access units further to the southwest towards the Enoree River. The boundaries of the areas to be harvested are marked with orange paint. The attached sale maps are believed to be reliable and accurate but are not absolutely guaranteed.

Bids should be submitted as separate **per ton prices for Pine Pulpwood, Pine Chip-n-Saw, Pine Sawtimber, and Hardwood Pulpwood**. Bids may be mailed to Gary Burger, Statewide Forester, P.O. Box 167, Columbia, SC 29202; or e-mailed to burgerg@dnr.sc.gov. Bids should be clearly marked "SCDNR – USFS Middle Enoree 2026 Timber Sale". **NO VERBAL or FAX BIDS will be ACCEPTED.** Bids will be opened publicly at the new SCDNR Headquarters located at 260 D Epting Lane, West Columbia, SC 29172 on November 18, 2026 at 11:00 a.m. Mailed bids must be received (not post-marked) before the bid opening, and bidders are encouraged to take this into account. Confirmation of reception of bids will be provided by email or phone as bids are received and results of the bids will be provided to all bidders. **The SCDNR reserves the right to reject any or all bids.**

The successful bidder will have 9 months to remove the timber and a $10,000 performance bond in the form of a cashier's check or company check will be required within 10 days of notification of award. The performance bond will be held by SCDNR in a non-interest-bearing account until satisfactory completion of the harvesting operation. Payments for timber removed, mill tickets, and settlement accountings will be mailed to SCDNR Headquarters in Columbia or delivered to Gary Burger on a weekly basis.

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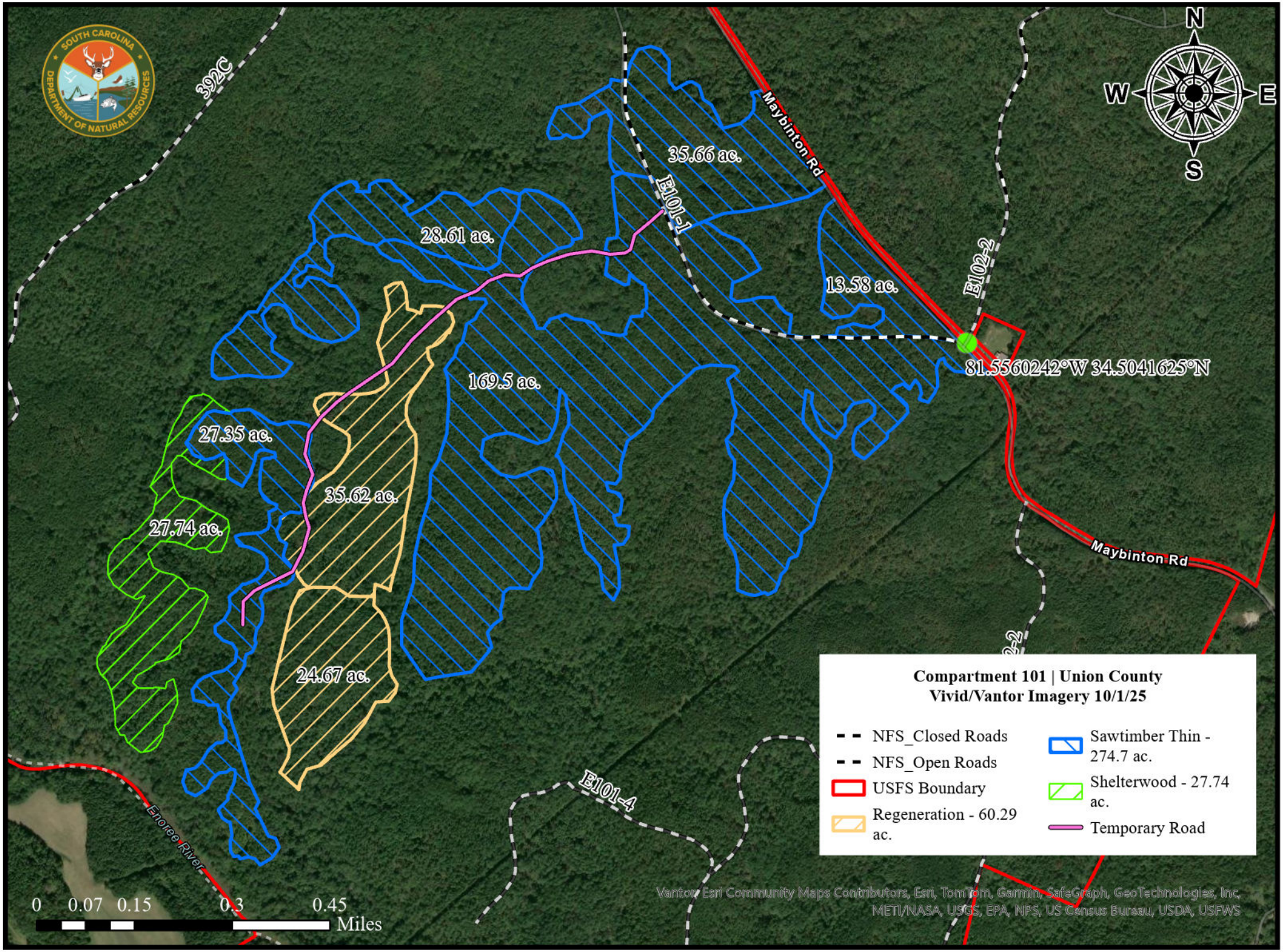
A pre-harvest conference between the successful bidder and SCDNR will be held prior to the commencement of harvest, and BMP compliance will be required. At least one responsible person on the logging crew must be a graduate of the South Carolina Timber Operations Professional Program, or equivalent program such as the GA Master Timber Harvester. SCDNR advises bidders of their interest in protecting the plants, wildlife, educational, cultural, and aesthetic values that exist on the tract. All logging decks, equipment, felled trees, and debris will be confined to the sale area. Damage to adjoining areas and/or excessive damage to residual trees may incur assessment of damages to the buyer. It will be the buyer's responsibility to ensure that no trespassing occurs and to clarify any questions with the SCDNR prior to cutting concerning logging deck and road locations, as well as the usage of any pre-existing internal road system, which must be left free of logging debris and in good condition. The return of the performance bond will be contingent on SCDNR's inspection of these conditions.

In addition to the Sale Area Maps, a Sample Timber Sale Contract is also attached to this Sale Notice. Bidders are advised to review this Sample Contract, including all Exhibits for more details, as there are **Additional Site-Specific Special Conditions** that pertain to this sale.

For further information contact Gary Burger at (803) 429-3900 or at the e-mail address above.

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